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PISHOP TUTU GIVEN ONASSIS AWARD

ATHENS, Greece -- Anglican Bishop Desmond Tutu, general secretary of the South African Council of Churches, has been awarded the Athena Prize for 1980 by the Alexander Onassis Foundation for his struggle against racial discrimination in his country.

The award, which is in the amount of \$100,000, is named after the first wife of the late Aristotle Onassis, the Greek shipping executive. The Foundation is headed by his daughter Christina and is named for her brother Alexander, who was killed in the crash of a private plane in 1973.

Tutu, 49, has been an outspoken opponent of the racist South African policies. Last March his passport was lifted by the South African government because of his criticism of that government's action in arresting and sentencing an Anglican priest for violating the terms of a banning order. In May he and 52 other religious leaders were arrested during a protest march in Johannesburg.

Tutu was Bishop of Lesotho from 1976 to 1978.

A second \$100,000 award went to the International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources for its worldwide environmental protection work.

The awards will be presented at ceremonies here next June.

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